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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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MODEL BASED CONTROL OF A MECHANICAL PROCESS

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop: Amendment Commissioner of Patents, P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 2, 2006, the deadline for normal response expiring on January 2, 2007, please amend the Application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims: Please substitute the new Claims listing beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.